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Election of 14 members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund has 36 members, elected with due regard to equitable geographical representation and other relevant factors, with a view to ensuring the most effective and broadest representation.

2. Under the terms of General Assembly resolution 48/162, the Economic and Social Council is to elect 14 members of the Executive Board from among States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2016, to fill the vacancies that will occur on 31 December 2015 upon the expiration of the terms of the following members: Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, France, Ghana, Guyana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Pakistan, Sweden and Thailand.

3. The election will be held at the coordination and management meetings of the Council[1], from 8 to 10 April 2015.

4. The members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

(a) Five members from African States;

(b) Three members from Asia-Pacific States;

(c) One member from Eastern European States;

(d) One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) Four members from Western European and other States.

5. The membership of the Executive Board in 2015 is listed in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

(36 members; three-year term)

Membership in 2015

Eight members from African States

Burkina Faso (2017), Central African Republic* (2015), Democratic Republic of the Congo* (2015), Djibouti* (2015), Egypt* (2015), Eritrea (2017), Ghana* (2015), Zambia (2016)

Seven members from Asia-Pacific States

Bangladesh (2017), China (2016), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (2015), Pakistan* (2015), Papua New Guinea (2016), Republic of Korea (2017), Thailand* (2015)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2017), Bulgaria* (2015), Estonia (2016), Russian Federation (2016)

Five members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Antigua and Barbuda (2016), Colombia (2017), Cuba (2017), Guyana* (2015), Panama (2016)

Twelve members from Western European and other States

Australia*[a] (2015), Canada*[b] (2015), France* (2015), Finland (2017), Germany (2016), Italy (2016), Japan (2017), Netherlands (2016), Norway (2017), Spain[c] (2016), Sweden* (2015), United States of America (2017)

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* Retiring member.

[a] Replaced New Zealand as from 1 January 2015.

[b] Replaced Denmark as from 1 January 2015.

[c] Replaced United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as from 1 January 2015.